

I am submitting my written testimony in support of HB 6446 this is an ACT CONCERNING REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF PUBLIC SERVICE TECHNICIANS AND CERTIFIED COMPETITIVE VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDERS. Basically this bill is about Telecommunications and Cable companies and the workers that install their services. Since all these companies now provide many services they are all grouped as Video Service Providers with respect to the television products they sell and install. I am curious if this legislation would also apply to Satellite and Dish type service providers as well. Those installers should have to be properly licensed also.

HB 6446 is written to addresses the licensing requirements of the workers that do the installation of the video service equipment in homes and business establishments across the state. I believe that any worker doing the installations should have to be licensed no matter what the employment status is. Calling workers contractors to avoid the license requirements is just a bad practice no matter what perspective you look at it from. Not only are the licensing requirements being circumvented but the fees that the state would be getting for those licenses is lost revenue to the state I am concerned as to why all of the technicians that perform this work are not already required to hold the proper licensing. Please vote for HB 6446.

Your support for HB 6446 when the bill comes before a vote in the General Law Committee will be appreciated.

Thank you,



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